

## **RESOLUTION NUMBER 348**

**WHEREAS**, we have been apprised that on January 24<sup>th</sup>, 2008, Officer Ryan Cousins demonstrated due diligence and skill; and

**WHEREAS**, Officer Cousins is a 12-year veteran of the St. Louis Metropolitan Police Department. He entered the academy on September 18, 1995 and was commissioned on February 26, 1996 ; and

**WHEREAS**, Officer Cousins assignments have included the 6th District, the Narcotics Division, 6th District Public Affairs, CSU, and the 6th District Community Response Team and is currently the acting sergeant for the 6th District Baden Neighborhood ; and

**WHEREAS**, Officer Cousins has received many awards, including numerous Captain Letters, community awards and four Chief Letters of Commendation. Officer Cousins is married to Antionette Cousins and has one son, Ryan Jr. ; and

**WHEREAS**, on January 23, 2008 a suspect attempted to abduct a thirteen year-old victim while the victim was walking home from school, the victim escaped by kicking the door open. On January 24, 2008 Officers Cousins and Shaw received an intra-department email, with information from an anonymous caller stated that they knew of a subject that resided in the area who was possibly driving a vehicle matching the one used in the attempted abduction. Armed with this information, both officers responded to the area. They observed a vehicle matching the description and set up surveillance on the vehicle. During the surveillance, a subject was observed attempting to enter the vehicle. This subject was quickly taken into custody before entering the vehicle. This subject was later identified by the victim and the vehicle was identified as the vehicle used during the incident; and

**WHEREAS**, due to the swift action of these officers, a suspected child abductor was removed from the streets of our neighborhoods.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Aldermen of the City of St. Louis that we pause in our deliberations to honor Officer Ryan Cousins for his commitment to excellence and we wish him continued success and achievement and we further direct the Clerk of this Board to spread a copy of this Resolution across the minutes of these proceedings and to prepare a commemorative copy to the end that it may be presented to our honoree at a time and place deemed appropriate by the Sponsor.

Introduced on the 7<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2008 by:

### **Honorable Freeman Bosley, Sr., Alderman 3rd Ward**

*Charles Quincy Troupe, Alderman 1<sup>st</sup> Ward*

*Dionne Flowers, Alderwoman 2<sup>nd</sup> Ward*

*Freeman Bosley, Sr., Alderman 3<sup>rd</sup> Ward*

*Samuel L. Moore, Alderman 4<sup>th</sup> Ward*

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*Dorothy Kirner, Alderwoman 25<sup>th</sup> Ward*

*Frank Williamson, Alderman 26<sup>th</sup> Ward*

*Gregory J. Carter, Alderman 27<sup>th</sup> Ward*

*Lyda Krewson, Alderwoman 28<sup>th</sup> Ward*

Adopted this the 7<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2008 as attested by:

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David W. Sweeney  
Clerk, Board of Aldermen

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Lewis E. Reed  
President, Board of Aldermen